

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 370  
By Herron

A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Erin Renee Mathis on her selection as the 2001 Valedictorian of Gleason High School.

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those students who, through their natural talents and unwavering commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Erin Renee Mathis is most assuredly one such exceptional student who is richly deserving of this body's commendation; and

WHEREAS, Her persistence and hard work have earned her recognition as the Valedictorian of the 2001 graduating class at Gleason High School; and

WHEREAS, Through industrious study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Erin has achieved remarkable academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in our great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, In her remarkable high school career, Erin Renee Mathis has earned a commendable grade point average of 4.0 (98.4082); and

WHEREAS, A well-rounded individual and a sterling scholar, Ms. Mathis has been a valuable participant in many programs and clubs at Gleason High School, including the Beta Club, the Science Club, the G Club, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Student Council; and

WHEREAS, Erin has received numerous awards and honors in recognition of her academic prowess and her many other talents, including the Top Ten Award in 2001, First Place in the Gleason Science Fair, and Third Place in the Weakley County Science Fair, and

WHEREAS, An active force in Youth Leadership Weakley County, Erin has served her school and her classmates with distinction as Prom Queen and as a Cheerleader; and

WHEREAS, Erin evinces her robust Christian faith as a member of the Grove Hill and Olivet United Methodist Churches; and

WHEREAS, Erin will continue her education this fall through the auspices of the Dean's Scholarship, the C.M. Cunningham Scholarship, the Tennessee Alumni Association Scholarship, and the Leaders in Residence Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, She plans to attend the University of Tennessee at Martin and major in Accounting; and

WHEREAS, Erin Renee Mathis epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; in an age where the youth of our country face great challenges, we can proudly state without equivocation that she represents all that is good in our young people today; and

WHEREAS, Erin is the daughter of proud parents, Dale Mathis and Malinda Mathis and the granddaughter of Charles and Iva Cochran and Hale and Jerldine Mathis; and

WHEREAS, Erin is an incredible source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Erin Renee Mathis's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition as a student at Gleason High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Erin's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, That we hereby honor 2001 Gleason High School Valedictorian, Erin Renee Mathis, for her many academic achievements, and extend to her our best wishes for success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.